



FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLYING, ADDRESS THE
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

REFER TO:

May 22, 1951

Dear Mr. Fogarty:

I am enclosing a clipping from the Washington Post of February 24th, which may have been the basis for Mr. Keefe's concern about possible diversion of our Clinical Center to other uses. As I reported to your secretary last Friday, following your telephone request to Doctor Sebrell, we feel this whole business is rumor and, naturally, will take the strongest possible stand against any such diversion. I, for example, heard Commissioner Reynolds at a social gathering remark that the Clinical Center building would provide a large amount of space, and he inquired whether we would be able to utilize it. He was assured that the space was badly needed and would be utilized, and that is our firm position.

We surely appreciate your interest and support. We feel it would be a tragic miscarriage of judgment to divert this badly needed facility to purposes other than those for which it was planned and constructed.

Very sincerely yours,

Palmer Dearing
Acting Surgeon General

Honorable John E. Fogarty
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

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The Federal Diary

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PHS Bureau Slated To Be Moved Out Of Downtown Offices

Public Health Service's Bureau of State Services is slated to be moved out of the downtown area. Some officials contend the 800 employees here should be moved to another city; others insist they should be moved to PHS's operations at Bethesda.

Federal Trade is making spot checks to determine the effectiveness of NPA's industrial orders. . . . The Naval Gun Factory here has openings for women ordnance workers, \$9.12 to \$10.12 a day . . . Jesse H. Buell of the Forest Service is transferring to the agency's experiment station at Fort Collins, Colo. . . . At Economic Cooperation, Edwin C. Arnold has been named deputy director of the Far East program division, and Frank M. Charrette has been promoted to deputy director, statistics and reports.

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